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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Gerald Wynn HALLWORTH

Serial No.: 09/651,083

Filed: August 30, 2000

For: INHALATION COMPOSITION CONTAINING LACTOSE PELLETS

Group Art Unit: 1615

Examiner: A. Pulliam

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action of August 3, 2001, in connection with the above-identified application.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claim 18 with amended claim 18 as follows.

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18(Amended). A pharmaceutical powder composition suitable for inhalation comprising microfine particles of medicament and at least one preformed lactose pellet having a diameter of from about 10 to about 1500 micrometers, which pellet comprises a plurality of microfine lactose particles, wherein the medicament is selected from the group consisting of codeine, dihydromorphine, ergotamine, fentanyl, morphine, diltiazem, cromoglycate, ketotifen, nedocromil, cephalosporins, penicillins, streptomycin, sulphonamides, tetracyclines, pentamidine, methapyrilene, budenoside, flunisolide, tipredane, triamcinolone acetonide, noscapine, ephedrine, adrenaline, fenoterol, formoterol, isoprenaline, metaproterenol, phenylephrine, phenylpropenolamine, pirbuterol, reproterol, rimeterol, terbutaline, isoetharine, tulobuterol, orciprenaline, (-)-4-